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> RE: Carolina Water Service, Inc. v. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff; S.C. Public Service Commission Docket No. 2006-92-WS

Dear Mr. Shearouse:

I am writing in response to your letter dated April 2, 2007, wherein you directed that the parties to this appeal advise the Court of the status of the matter pending before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"). As of the date of this letter, Carolina Water Service Inc. ("CWS") has not received an order of the Commission addressing the parties' petitions for rehearing and reconsideration.

Additionally, on today's date, counsel for CWS received an Amended Notice of Motion and Motion to File an Amicus Curiae Brief filed by Laura P. Valtorta, Esquire on behalf of the Forty Love Point Homeowners' Association ("HOA"). As you will recall, Ms. Valtorta filed the original motion with the Court on or about January 18, 2007. Thereafter, by letter dated January 24, 2007, the Court informed the parties that the time limit for filing a return to the motion was held in abeyance pending the issuance of the additional order by the Commission. Out of an abundance of caution, I, therefore, respectfully request guidance and clarification as to whether the time limit in which to respond to the HOA's Amended Motion is similarly held in abeyance. If the Court's action holding the time limits in this matter in abeyance does not apply to the HOA's Amended Motion, CWS's return would be due on or before April 13, 2007.



Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any questions, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. With best regards, I am,

Respectfully,

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